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TAGS:CPAS: (KIM, YONG JIN)

SUBJECT: LOSS OF NATIONALITY

REF: EMBASSY OM OF MAY 17, 1978

1. MR.KIM, IN HIS AFFIDAVIT OF MAY 16, INDICATES THAT HE SOUGHT RENUNCIATION OF UNITED STATES CITIZENSHIP BECAUSE HIS VISA WAS ABOUT TO EXPIRE AND BECAUSE HE WISHED TO REMAIN IN KOREA AND OBTAIN EMPLOYMENT THERE.

2. PLEASE ASCERTAIN FROM MR. KIM THE REASON WHY HE THOUGHT THAT RENUNCIATION OF UNITED STATES CITIZENSHIP WOULD ENABLE HIM TO REMAIN IN KOREA AND FACILITATE OBTENTION OF EMPLOYMENT THERE. HAD HE LOST HIS CLAIM TO KOREAN NATIONALITY E.G. WHEN HE BECAME NATURALIZED AS A UNITED STATES CITIZEN? IF SO, DID HE LOSE IT AUTOMATICALLY? WAS RENUNCIATION, AND, OR, LOSS OF UNITED STATES NATIONALITY A PREREQUISITE TO HIS REACQUISITION OF KOREAN CITIZENSHIP? DID MR. KIM BELIEVE HE WOULD BE ALLOWED TO RESIDE IN

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KOREA INDEFINITELY EITHER AS A KOREAN CITIZEN OR STATELESS PERSON IF HE RENOUNCED HIS UNITED STATES CITIZENSHIP. MR. KIM SHOULD BE ASKED TO RESPOND IN WRITING IN AN AFFIDAVIT

IF ANY CONSULAR OFFICER OR LOCAL EMPLOYEE RECALLS ANY CONVERSATION WITH MR. KIM IN ADDITION TO ONE REPORTED IN EMBASSY'S OPERATIONS MEMORANDUM UNDER REFERENCE IN WHICH

THE REASONS FOR WISHING TO RENOUNCE WERE DISCUSSED
THIS INFORMATION SHOULD BE REPORTED TO THE DEPARTMENT.
WHAT EFFORTS, IF ANY, WERE MADE BY THE EMBASSY IN AN
ATTEMPT TO DISCOURAGE MR. KIM FROM RENOUNCING HIS UNITED
STATES NATIONALITY? FROM WHAT SPECIFIC SOURCES DID
MR. KIM OBTAIN THE ANSWERS TO ANY OF THESE
QUESTIONS? PLEASE ALSO OBTAIN ANSWERS TO ALL ABOVE
QUESTIONS, EXCEPT THE LAST ONE, FROM THE APPROPRIATE
KOREAN AUTHORITIES. CHRISTOPHER

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